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SUBJECT: PROPOSED ISRAELI TRANSFER TO SPAIN OF M68
CANNONS/M140 MOUNT COMBINATIONS; U.S. EXPORT LICENSE
APPLICATIONS FOR TANK RETROFIT KITS

REF: (A) STATE 129336 (DTG 212303Z MAY 78)
(B) STATE 144024 (DTG 071709 Z JUNE 78) (NOTAL)

1. WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED FROM THE SPANISH ARMY FORMAL
CONFIRMATION OF ITS DESIRE TO PROCEED WITH THE TRANSFER
FROM ISRAEL OF 110 M68 CANNONS (LESS TUBES) AND M140 MOUNT
COMBINATIONS, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CURRENT PROJECT BEING
WORKED OUT WITH CHRYSLER ESPANA FOR UPGUNNING AND RETRO-
FITTING SPANISH M-48 TANKS. WE ARE PRESSING FOR AN EARLY
REPLY AND FOR CONFIRMATION THAT THE GOS IS WILLING TO
PROVIDE STANDARD ASSURANCES ON TRANSFER.

2. WE UNDERSTAND FROM CHRYSLER ESPANA THAT THE CONTRACT
FOR UPGUNNING/RETROFITTING OF 110 M-48 TANKS HAS BEEN
SIGNED, THAT STANDARD A-5 KITS WILL BE USED, AND THAT A
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LARGE PORTION OF THESE ARE TO COME FROM ISRAEL. (WE HAVE
POUCHED TO EUR/WE A CURRENT USDAO REPORT ON THIS MATTER
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3. REF B LISTS 4 EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR MATERIAL
CONSIGNED TO CHRYSLER ESPANA (1 FOR 110 CADILLAC GAGE M-48
HYDRAULIC TURRET AND GUN CONTROL KITS; 3 RELATED TO THE

PLANNED RETROFIT). FROM THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO US
IN REFS A AND B, WE CANNOT TELL WHETHER THE CADILLAC GAGE
AND ISRAELI OFFERS ARE COMPLEMENTARY OR COMPETITIVE.

4. COINCIDENT WITH THIS CONTRACT, THE GOS HAS REQUESTED
PURCHASE OF REVERSIONARY RIGHTS TO 70 M-48 TANKS, ADDING
TO THE 40 FOR WHICH REVERSIONARY RIGHTS WERE PURCHASED
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